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AMENDMENT AND REPLY
FOR
A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Dear Sir:

This paper and the above-referenced Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) are responsive to a Final Office Action mailed May 11, 2005 ("Office Action") and are being mailed or transmitted before the expiration of the 3-month deadline for reply of August 11, 2005. The paper and IDS constitute submissions that accompany a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Applicants believe no additional fee is required. If an additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account number 23-0455.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.

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